

THERE IS CLAIMED:

1. A method of connecting to a radiocommunication network a terminal which is in a standby mode because of temporary unavailability of the signal from the network, said method including a step of periodically scanning frequencies of said radiocommunication network using one or more sequences each associated with a predetermined list of frequencies from all said frequencies.
2. The method claimed in claim 1 wherein said list of frequencies associated with each sequence does not vary.
3. The method claimed in claim 1 wherein said list of frequencies associated with each sequence varies.
4. The method claimed in claim 1 including a step of storing the last frequencies available before disconnection from the network so that the first scanning sequence scans said last available frequencies.
5. The method claimed in claim 4 including a step of measuring the intensity of the last available frequencies of the signal before disconnection from the network.
6. The method claimed in claim 5 wherein the frequency scanning is partial only if the intensity of the last frequencies available exceeds a predetermined threshold value.
7. The method claimed in claim 5 including a step of determining the number of last frequencies available before disconnection from the network carrying a signal of intensity greater than a predetermined threshold value.
8. The method claimed in claim 7 wherein the frequency scanning is partial only if said number of last frequencies available carrying a signal of intensity greater than a predetermined threshold intensity is itself greater than a given number.
9. A terminal adapted to be connected to one or more radiocommunication networks operating on different frequencies, said terminal including means for partially scanning the frequencies of the network using one or more sequences each of which is associated with a predetermined list of frequencies selected from all said frequencies.
10. The terminal claimed in claim 9, further including means for selecting partial or complete scanning of the various frequencies.